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PSC SCHEDULES MAY 22 MEETING TO DISCUSS  
IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW STATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS LAW

The state Public Service Commission invites all interested persons to participate in an informal meeting on May 22 to discuss implementation of Senate Bill 89, the major telecommunications bill passed by the 1997 Legislature.

The meeting will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the PSC's offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue in Helena. The format will be a roundtable discussion. Issues to be discussed by meeting participants include:

- steps the PSC must take to implement the provisions of the new law that are meant to ensure telephone service is universally available and affordable;
- establishment of the 2-year Universal Access Program to provide discounts on advanced telecommunications services to community locations, to schools and libraries, and to health care providers;
- registration of telecommunications service providers; and
- appropriate levels of regulation for different telecommunications providers.

Persons who plan to attend the meeting should notify the PSC of their intent to participate by Thursday, May 8. Written notification should be mailed to Dennis Crawford, PSC, PO Box 202601, Helena 59620-2601. Electronic notification may be posted by e-mail to: [tcom@psclist.mt.gov](mailto:tcom@psclist.mt.gov).

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